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14 March 1961

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MEMORANDUM FOR: CA/ [REDACTED]
ATTENTION : Mr. [REDACTED]
FROM : Chief, Plans and Policy Staff
SUBJECT : Scientific Support for Task Force Training Program

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1. Reference is made to the subject of our discussion with OSI on 9 March 1961. I think that alternative sources for the kinds of information and support that you are looking for in the field of the behavioral sciences can be more easily located in two other CIA components--TSD and OTR.

2. If you are interested in special psychological support for TF operations, then I would suggest you get in touch with

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a. Mr. [REDACTED] shop in TSD;

b. Mr. [REDACTED] Chief, Assessment and Evaluation Staff (AES), OTR; and possibly also

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c. Psychiatric Staff, Medical Staff, through [REDACTED]

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These people have worked together on various operational problems, and the working relationship between [REDACTED] is particularly close. In terms of gathering personal background and biographic data, the Office of Security also is brought into the act; for example, in screening candidates for operational employment.

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3. In addition, in its Introduction to Overseas Effectiveness Course (the "IOE"), the OTR Language and Area School gets into the fundamentals of certain of the behavioral sciences as they apply to personal adjustment overseas, to working with and "manipulating" foreign persons and groups, etc. I would strongly encourage you to take this course, if your schedule permits, or at least to be briefed on it. Perhaps you and Mr. [REDACTED] C/LAS, can arrive at some agreement as to a possible LAS contribution to TF training.

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Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

cc: C/OS/TR

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